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Title: SPRING-LOADED 'L'-SHAPED SEAL RING

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Dear Sir:

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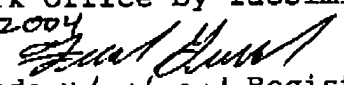
In response to the examiner's restriction requirement, dated 10/27/2004, in the above-referenced application, the applicant elects Species 1 (figures 1-6), Claims 1-27 and 29 for prosecution.

If the Examiner feels that any discussion of the invention would be helpful, applicant's representative is available at 520-882-4025 and earnestly solicits such discussion.

Respectfully,  
  
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